Home Going Celebration

for

Robert Mallory Heldris

"Big Bob"

Sunrise
November 7, 1948

Sunset
October 14, 2004

Celebration Held On
Friday, October 22, 2004 – 11:00 a.m.

Wilson & Kratzer Mortuaries
455 - 24th Street
Richmond, California

Obituary

Robert Mallory Heldris was born November 7, 1948 to Grady and Gladys Heldris in San Francisco, California. He attended Richmond public schools and graduated in 1967 from Richmond Union High School.

He united in holy matrimony to Madeline Yvonne McGlothen November 11, 1978 and are the proud parents of Sucar and Romallory.

"Big Bob" as he was known to many was employed at Port Chicago and retired from Mare Island Naval Shipyard in Vallejo, California. Bob received various awards for his 27 years of service.

He was the #1 Husband, Father, Grandfather, Brother and Uncle. Bob enjoyed restoring cars as a hobby and was an avid Raider fan. He was a kind, sincere, and devoted man whose smiling face brought joy to those he touched.

Preceding him in death are his mother, father, brother Lloyd, and one grandchild Elijiah. He leaves to cherish his memories his loving wife Madeline, two children Sucar and Romallory and a special daughter Courtney Gordan; one sister Vicki; nine grandchildren Bobbe, Donte, Sucar Jr., Damarco, Damario, Elishanay, Sucariena, Denuris and Darius; one great grandchild; three aunts Elizabeth Grant, Willa Thomas, and Addie Lee Mixon; one uncle Joe Willie Bryant; his mother-in-law Earline McGlothen ; father-in-law Zeke Ellis; four sisters-in-law Glenda Heldris, Melody Cooper, Lydia Bedford, and Denise Smith; five brothers-in-law George Scott, Terry Smith, Larry Ellis, "Bird" Ellis, and Taze Ellis; his spiritual parents Mr. and Mrs. Foreman; and a very special adopted family Mr. Faye Thompson, Shirley LeVias, and Gloria Foster; and a wonderful host of nieces, nephews, cousins and admired friends.

Order of Service

Superintendent Jeremiah Richardson

Processional .....

Invocation ..... *Elder Robinson*

Scripture Reading ..... *Elder Foreman*

Musical Selection .....

Expressions from Friends & Family ..... *2 minutes please*

Musical Selection .....

Expressions from the Clergy ..... *2 minutes please*

Acknowledgments of Condolences ..... *Shirley LeVias*

Obituary ..... *Gayle Paige*

Musical Selection .....

Eulogy ..... *Expressions from His Wife*

Recessional .....

Interment

Rolling Hills Memorial Park

Richmond, California

Active Pallbearers

Sucar Daniels
Randy Wright
Eugene Gideon
Charles D. Keeton
Charles A. Keeton

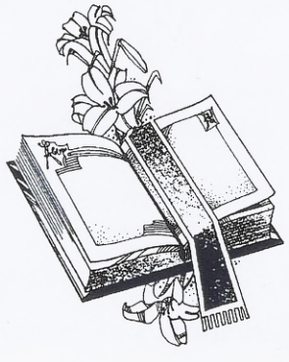
Terry Paige
Willie Thompson
Jamar Burton
Thomas James
Larry Smith

Eugene Gideon Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Ron Williams
Keith Wilson
Jim Gray
Tyrone Adams

Jazz
John Thomas
Ralph Helms
The Friends of Mare Island



Message to My Husband

You are and will always be my forever Love. Your friendship and love, and all the wonderful things that they bring to my life, are like nothing else I've ever known. My heart is complete with the love we share, and our love grows more beautiful each day. Moments of success may come and go, and material things bring us momentary joy, but you are with me always . . . in a smile, a touch, a memory, a feeling, or a moment we share. Friends enter our lives, sometimes only for a short time, but the friendship we share is deep and secure. Even if everyone else suddenly left me, I know that I'd still have you as my best friend. We pass through different phases of life with all their changes and challenges, and one day turns into another, but through it all, our love is constant. You lend me strength when I need it most, and you give me a precious gift each day by loving me just the way I am. I don't know how you do it, but in your special way, you fill my life and heart with a wondrous joy that will always be present. You make my life complete, and I love you. You're the love of my life.

~ Your Wife Madeline

Acknowledgment

Perhaps you prayed a prayer or came to pay a call. Perhaps you sent beautiful flowers, if so we saw them all. Perhaps you sent or spoke kind words as any friends would say. Perhaps you were not there at all, but just thought of us that day. Perhaps you prepared some tasty dish or maybe furnished a car. Perhaps you rendered service unseen near at hand or from a far. Whatever you did to console the heart by work or deed or touch. Whatever was the kindly part we Thank You oh so much.

The Family of
Robert M. Heldris

Final arrangements entrusted to the professional care of:

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